

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, January 6, 2009, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Ken Toole, Vice Chairman
Gail Gutsche, Commissioner
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
John Vincent, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(1) In the matter of TN2427: James A. Jones d/b/a Oilfield Maintenance Company, Gillette, Wyoming requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9297 to G & G Garbage, Inc., Baker, Montana for a twelve month period, December 28, 2008 to December 28, 2009.

Commissioner Molnar moved to APPROVE the lease as requested. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(2) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of December 22, 2008.

Commissioner Toole moved to APPROVE the Commission Minutes for the week of December 22, 2008. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Jim Paine, Legal Division

(3) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in FCC Docket WT No. 06-231: Ronan's request for waiver and extension of time to meet bidding credit construction requirement.

Commissioner Toole moved to GRANT Ronan's request for an additional extension of one year to meet the bidding credit construction requirement and for the PSC to file comments with the FCC voicing support. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(4) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No.D2008.1.3: Ronan's request for protective order and Motion in Limine.

Commissioner Toole moved to DENY Ronan's request for a protective order of the data request on 27 contracts in Docket No. D2008.1.3. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed 4-1. Commissioner Molnar voted no.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(5) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No. L-08.10.1-RUL: Annual update to PSC pipeline safety rules and update to electric utility rule.

Commissioner Gutsche moved to APPROVE amending the rules on December 30, 2008 and filing the rulemaking notice of amendment with the Secretary of State for publication in the Montana Administrative Register. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division
Robin McHugh, Administrator,
Legal Division
Kate Whitney, Administrator,
Utility Division

(6) In the matter of House Bill 103 and Senate Bill 72 for 2009 Legislative Session:

Commissioner Toole moved that the Commission formally SUPPORT House Bill 103 and Senate Bill 72. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Greg Jergeson, Chair

(7) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Election of Commission officers and secretary:

MOTION 1: Commissioner Toole moved to NOMINATE Commissioner Jergeson as the PSC Chair. Commissioner Vincent moved to CLOSE the nominations and vote by acclamation to elect Commissioner Jergeson as the incoming PSC Chair. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MOTION 2: Commissioner Jergeson moved to NOMINATE Commissioner Toole as the PSC Vice-Chair. Commissioner Gutsche moved to CLOSE the nominations and vote by acclamation to elect Commissioner Toole as the incoming PSC Vice-Chair. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MOTION 3: Commissioner Toole moved to APPOINT Verna Stewart as the PSC Commission Secretary. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGSON, Chair

KEN TOOLE, Vice Chair

GAIL GUTSCHE, Commissioner

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

JOHN VINCENT, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Verna Stewart
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, January 7, 2009, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Ken Toole, Vice Chairman
Gail Gutsche, Commissioner
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
John Vincent, Commissioner, via telephone

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Administrator,
Legal Division
Al Brogan, Legal Division

(8) In the matter of Senate Bill 20 for 2009 Legislative Session.

Commissioner Toole moved to OPPOSE Senate Bill 20. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(9) In the matter of House Bill 27 for 2009 Legislative Session.

Commissioner Toole moved to SUPPORT House Bill 27. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGESON, Chair

KEN TOOLE, Vice Chair

GAIL GUTSCHE, Commissioner

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

JOHN VINCENT, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Verna Stewart
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, January 8, 2009, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Ken Toole, Vice Chairman
Gail Gutsche, Commissioner
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
John Vincent, Commissioner, via telephone

APPEARANCE
Al Brogan, Legal Division

(10) In the matter of Senate Bill 33 for 2009 Legislative Session.

Commissioner Toole moved to SUPPORT Senate Bill 33. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGESON, Chair

KEN TOOLE, Vice Chair

GAIL GUTSCHE, Commissioner

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

JOHN VINCENT, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Verna Stewart
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)